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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Takeda et al.	)
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Serial No.	10/791,163	)
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Conf. No.	3403	)
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Filed:	March 2, 2004	)
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For:	LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE AND THIN FILM TRANSISTOR SUBSTRATE	)))
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Art Unit:	2871	)
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Examiner:	Dudek, James A.	)

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed September 8, 2005,

Applicants elect Species V (claims 35-45), with traverse.

The grounds for traversal are that the Examiner has not established how the

examination of all 21 claims would pose an undue burden upon the Examiner. Applicants

submit that the claims of Species 1 through Species IV contain similar features with the

claims of Species V, and therefore the proper search for all 21 claims by the Examiner would

likely overlap. Again, the Examiner may not restrict species of claims only because *some*

additional burden is imposed upon the Examiner, but only when there is a serious, or undue, burden posed on the Examiner to examine all of the claims. Because the Examiner has not established why or how an examination of all 21 claims only would impose such an undue burden, when more than half are still being examined, the restriction requirement is respectfully traversed, and should be withdrawn.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney if an interview would expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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